Contractual employees assured of benefits

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Once a proposed ordinance is approved, job order (JO) and contractual employees of the city government of Quezon City will be able to apply for membership with the Social Security System (SSS).

District 1 Councilor Tany Joe Calalay said one of his priority city resolutions aims to support casual employees with social security benefits.

The councilor chairs the Labor, Employment and Overseas Filipino Workers Committee of the 18th Quezon City Council.

"As chairman, I am pushing for a resolution that will persuade contractuals and JO employees to voluntary enroll with the SSS," said Calalay.

"The first resolution that I will advance is focused on government employees. I found out that many of them find retirement bleak. They worry for their families should something happen to them," he added.

Presently, the Quezon City government has a total of 11,373 contractual and JO employees as of the second quarter of 2019.

SSS members receive sickness, maternity, retirement, disability, death and funeral benefits. They may also apply for business, calamity and housing loans.